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State Health Department Releases 2006 Vital Events Information

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health today released “North Dakota Fast Facts 2006,” a document with information about vital events in the state, according to Darin Meschke, director of the Division of Vital Records.

The document is a summary of 2006 statistics, including facts about resident births, deaths, marriages and divorces. For example:

- Each day, 24 babies were born, 12 marriages took place and five divorces became final.
- The greatest age difference between a bride and groom was 39 years.
- The oldest father was 76 years old; the oldest mother was 48.
- The most popular boy’s name was Logan; the most popular girl’s name was Emma.
- The day most deaths occurred was September 4 (31 deaths).

“This document provides a quick, interesting look at serious, life-changing events in North Dakota,” Meschke said. “Data collected by the Department of Health is critical to helping us understand a little more about ourselves and our state.”

“North Dakota Fast Facts 2006” can be downloaded at www.ndhealth.gov/vital.

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